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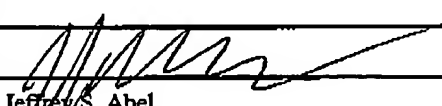
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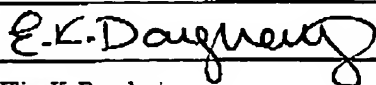
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Dear Sir:


The USPTO has restricted claims 1-38 of this application into Group I (claims 1-33), Group II (claims 34-35), Group III (claims 36-37) and Group IV (claim 38).

Applicants elect the claims of Group I (claims 1-33) and provisionally withdraw the non-elected claims of Groups II-IV. The restriction is respectfully traversed in order to preserve the issue for subsequent petition since the examination of all of the claims is not believed to create an undue burden on the USPTO and that the subject matter among the groups is not independent and distinct as required by statute. Furthermore, different classifications as recited by the USPTO are not independent adequate grounds for restriction since the USPTO has historically examined applications containing multiple sets of claims.

In summary, Applicants elect the claims of Group I for further prosecution and provisionally withdraw the non-elected claims from consideration. Reconsideration and further prosecution on the merits of at least the claims of Group I are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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